

NOVEMBER 8, 2015 QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES*

The meeting commenced at 11:10 a.m. Present were Carol McCann, Amy Nordahl, Jo Johnson, Deb Althaus, Pat Kulig and Linda Stone. Jane B. arrived during the charity presentation so was present for that vote and all those following.

MINUTES: Motion by Pat, seconded by Amy to approve the [August Meeting Minutes](#) as published passed on a unanimous voice vote

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jo presented the treasurer's report. We have \$21.50 cash on hand. Our checking account balance is \$862.14 for a total of \$883.64. The 2015 Funtest had 12 participants with a resulting total of \$120 from bandanna sales, which will be paid out to the winners. A copy of the report was submitted for the permanent record. Motion by Amy, seconded by Deb to approve the report as submitted passed on a unanimous voice vote.

FUNTEST: 2015 Funtest entries were submitted by Jo, Carol, Linda and Mary Begley, who had emailed hers to the Chapter Director since she couldn't attend. Amy had some too but not enough to be in the running. There was a discrepancy between printed documentation as to whether the word WISCONSIN was included in the phrase, so either was accepted. Jo took 1st place with a bonus in every picture for a total of 40 points and Carol came in 2nd with a total of 32 points. The random drawing was won by Linda. Checks were issued for \$60, \$36 and \$24.

ELECTIONS: Jo spoke to the combined Treasurer/Secretary position and noted that most other chapters she talked to did not combine these two positions. Motion by Jo, seconded by Carol to separate the Treasurer and Secretary into two separate positions passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Nominations were opened. Motion by Jo, seconded by Deb to re-elect Linda Stone as Chapter Director passed on a unanimous voice vote. Motion by Pat, seconded by Deb to re-elect Jo Johnson as Chapter Treasurer passed on a unanimous voice vote. Motion by Amy, seconded by Linda to elect Carol as Chapter Secretary was made. Motion by Carol, seconded by Deb to elect Amy as Chapter Secretary was made. The paper vote ended in a 3/3 tie, so Carol and Amy were elected as co/secretaries. The Chapter Director re-appointed Deb Althaus our Safety Coordinator and Jane G. our Social Director. Since Jane was not present to accept, she was contacted via email the following day and agreed to continue in that position.

CHARITY: Amy presented information on Faith's Lodge, a 501©(3) organization located in Webster, Wisconsin, for families that have lost a child. The lodge was founded by a couple to honor the child they lost, Faith Ann Lacek. Their mission is to support parents and families facing the life-limiting condition or loss of a child in a peaceful environment to reflect on the past, renew strength for the present and build hope for the future. No other charities were submitted for consideration. Motion by Amy to donate our 50/50 ticket sales income (or \$100, whichever is greater) to Faith's Lodge passed on a unanimous voice vote. Discussion ensued on the need to hold these drawings at all of our events, as well as others we attend, in order to increase our charitable donation. The tickets in Linda's possession will be distributed to other interested chapter members for this purpose.

FUNTEST: Ideas for the 2016 Funtest theme were discussed. Jo suggested doing statues. Amy suggested military memorials as a way to honor our veterans and military. The Military Memorials were approved by a unanimous vote. The memorial/statue/cannon, etc. must have some type of official plaque or title to qualify. The picture, as always, must include the memorial, the bike you are riding and a 2016 Funtest Bandanna for 1 point. Any current or former member of the military (excluding family) in the photo qualifies for a bonus point. A separate photo showing the plaque or other official identification can be used in addition in the event it can't be included in the photo with the bike. The bandanna colors suggested were purple (for a purple heart) or red, white and blue (for the flag). The latter was chosen on a 6-1 vote. The bandanna will include the phrase "Riding to Remember", and the year. The bandannas will be purchased from chapter funds and will be sold at \$10, with all proceeds divided among the winners as they were this year, 50% to 1st place, 30% to 2nd place and 20% to the winner of a random drawing of all remaining participants who purchased a bandanna (no pictures required).

MEETINGS: Following discussion, the meetings will now take place semi-annually instead of quarterly. The Holiday party and gift exchange will be replaced by an "All-member Birthday Bash" and gift exchange at the May meeting.

CALENDAR: The full calendar is attached. The 2016 chapter ride dates and volunteers are as follows:

- May 7 (Sun) - Amy (Somerset area), details TBD.
- May 15 (Sun) - Annual Birthday Bash & Business Meeting at Denny's in Black River Falls to commence at noon. (\$15 maximum value for gift exchange)
- June 4 (Sat) - Linda (somewhere south of La Crosse), details TBD
- June 18 (Sat) - Mary (Cadott area)
- July 5-7 (Tu-Th) - WOW International Ride-In, Gettysburg PA
- July 24 (Sun) - Jo. Meeting place and time TDB. We will go to Lark Toys in Kellogg MN for a rousing game of goofy golf and other tomfoolery

- Aug 5-7 (Fri-Sun) – WOW WOW Green Lake WI, details TBA
- Aug 28 (Sun) – Deb (Hager City area), details TBD
- Sep 3-4 (Sat-Sun) – Black River Falls POW WOW (may just meet there, TBD)
- Sep 24 (Sat) – Doreen & Dorothy (Lancaster area), details TBD
- Oct. 8 (Sat) – Carol (Eau Claire area), details TBD
- Nov. 12 (Sat) – 11:00 am Business Mtg, Chili Dump & Auction – Winona MN

RECRUITING: Jo spoke about the challenge made at the last meeting to make contact with at 3 women riders (potential members). Amy has brought 4 to a chapter ride and spoken with more. Linda and Pat handed out chapter cards to 1 young gal. Jo has successfully recruited one full and one support member. Linda noted that when making a contact it is most helpful to get their information as well as give them yours so we can follow up with them later. Amy pointed out that there are a lot of women's riding sites on facebook that we can participate with and promote WOW there, which is where she met some of those she invited to chapter rides. Jo again issued a challenge for each of us to bring the names of 3 people we have talked to about WOW to our next meeting in May. Reminder: we do have chapter "business" cards available to our members free of charge.

50/50 RAFFLE: Carol won the 50/50 drawing and donated her winnings back to the charity pool for a total income of \$37.00. Since the \$100 check for our 2015 charity (Community Table, Eau Claire) had already been written, this will go towards our 2016 charity.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 1:30 to go outside and take a group photo. Following the photo, we enjoyed some great chili and Jo's desserts.

Respectfully submitted by Chapter Director, Linda Stone.

*These minutes were amended to correct the meeting date and approved as amended at the May 2016 meeting.